

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

To surely and automatically determine intermixture of images of another person without resorting to human labor and to beforehand prevent dishonest registration due to substitution, there are provided a face position detection unit for detecting a face position from images acquired by using a camera to consecutively photograph a face, a face position variation calculation unit for calculating a variation between a face position detected at this time and a face position detected at the last time, a determination unit for comparing the calculated variation of the position with a predetermined threshold to determine the image at this time as a registrable one when the variation does not amount to the threshold and to determine the image at this time as an unregistrable one when the variation exceeds the threshold, and a storage unit for registering and storing those images, which are determined to be registrable.